



Guide

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Daily Minyan Schedule

Weekday Mornings 7:00 A.M.
 Sunday & Legal Holidays 9:00 A.M.
 Sunday - Thursday evenings 5:40 P.M.

March 2005
 Adar I - Adar II 5765

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Schedule of Shabbat Services

Kabbalat Shabbat

Fri., March 4, April 18 (TGIF).....7:30 P.M.
 Fri., March 11, 25, April 16:00 P.M.
 Fri., March 18 (FNL)6:00 P.M.

Shabbat Mornings

Shacharit9:30 A.M.
 (March 12th 9:15 A.M).
 Jr. Congregation10:30 A.M.
 Tot Shabbat11:00 A.M.

Saturday Evenings

March 5.....6:00 P.M.
 March 12.....6:10 P.M.
 March 19.....6:15 P.M.
 March 266:05 P.M.
 April 2.....6:30 P.M.

Erev Shabbat

Candle Lighting Times

Fri., March 4.....5:44 P.M.
 Fri., March 11.....5:52 P.M.
 Fri., March 18.....5:59 P.M.
 Fri., March 25.....6:06 P.M.
 Fri., April 1.....6:13 P.M.



Beth Israel Congregation Proudly Presents An Evening with World Court Judge Thomas Buergenthal

Sunday, March 20, 2005 • 7:00 P.M.

Topic: "The International Court of Justice and the Role of the Court to Include the Decision Recently Rendered on the Wall."

Judge Buergenthal of the International Court of Justice in the Hague, is one of the world's leading experts and practitioners of human rights law. The Judge was the only dissenting judge in the case brought to the World Court against putting the wall up in Israel.

The lecture is free to the public. Sponsors & Patrons will join Judge Buergenthal for a Kosher Pareve Dessert Reception following the lecture. We appreciate your support by being a Sponsor or Patron.

SPONSOR: \$50 per person
 Includes premium Sanctuary seating and attendance at the Dessert Reception.

PATRON: \$25 per person
 Includes attendance at the Dessert Reception.

To RSVP if attending the lecture only, call 410-654-0800.
 Sponsors/Patrons - Kindly mail your check payable to Beth Israel Congregation to the Synagogue, attention: Janis Bormel by March 11th. Tickets will be sent to Sponsors and Patrons only.

This very special evening is sponsored by Beth Israel Congregation with generous support of the Peter G. and Georgia K. Angelos Foundation & Media Sponsors:

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 In cooperation with the Baltimore Jewish Council and Baltimore Hebrew University

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Notes From The Cantor

Cantor Roger B. Eisenberg



It's all about connecting and separating. Life, I mean. My sense of self is stabilized when, on one hand I am "one with God" or with the Universe, and on the other hand, I am free to express my separateness as an individual. Being connected is anchoring. It is comfortable, low risk, and low maintenance. Expressing our individuality requires some risk, often a venture out of our comfort zone with copious amounts of self examination, while growth opportunities abound. Do you remember when your baby took her first steps? At first she just lay on a blanket constantly under your watchful eye. Then, she rolled - not too far. Wasn't she cute! Look, she's standing! Look, she took her first steps! Look, she...Where did she go?!

I remember a meeting with the guidance counselor of my son, Chaim, in early December of his junior year in high school. In his address to the parents, the counselor's first remark was, "Don't look now, but you only have your children for another year and a half." A year and a half later I drove him to college with the car so packed with his stuff there was only room for the two of us. We enjoyed talking, sometimes in serious discussion about his future, sometimes making jokes. We were connected! When we arrived at the college I helped him unpack, schlepping his clothes, his bedding, and of course, his computer, up a few flights of stairs. His new roommates were doing the same, and they were connecting with each other, too. Completing the move felt like I was entering a portal to an uncharted dimension. He was forging new connections, while I was feeling separated, sad, and empty. The empty car felt like an extension of me as I drove home alone. But, there was a consoling thought: Would I want him to have to live at home at age 30+ because he did not have the skills to pursue a productive life? Still, it hurt. The fact of the matter, no relationship was really lost, just changed.

Now we look back on the way we were raised and either consciously think, "I want to raise my children that way," or conversely, "At least I know what not to do," or a blend of both perspectives. Whatever our leanings, in some way, the way we were parented will influence the way we will parent our own children - connection.

Our prayers along with every life-cycle event and every Jewish holiday promote both individuality and community - separateness and community involvement. In healthy proportions they feed each other. In unhealthy proportions they can consume each other. We in the clergy as well as anyone who deeply cares about service to others are in constant struggle to achieve balance. This struggle becomes particularly demonstrated in the story of Purim that we will begin hearing on the evening of Thursday, March 24. As a close relative of Mordecai, the leader of his generation, Esther must have been raised with a strong sense of her Judaism - as a Jewess she was connected. But she takes leave of her Jewish roots to become pampered in a life of royal privilege. Maybe she was like a teenager getting her first taste of independence. Sure, the Jews of Shushan were having problems, but they were outside the palace gates, and she was inside. Whatever problems that the Jewish people were having were not her problems. Separateness was good! But Mordecai reminded her of who she was. When crisis struck-when the proverbial Sword of Damocles was ready to sever the unbowing heads of the Jewish people, she was reminded of her connection. Her true Jewish identity never truly left her, and it returned to serve in our hour of need. To become connected she was compelled to Dis-connect from all of the physical pleasures that her royal stature provided, and at the same time, Re-connect with her Jewish brethren. To do this she ordered a three-day fast to be followed by the entire Jewish community. At the end of the fast she was ready to subjugate her concerns for her own safety to the safety and survival of the Jewish people. Hiding her Self was no longer an option. After the evil Haman and his sons are dispatched, we are led to believe that her relationship with the king becomes one of love and respect. In fact, in the end, Haman's wealth and prominence is transferred to Mordecai.

It seems likely that growing up with strong Jewish roots sets a positive basis for later decisions. It is often not so easy to adhere to principles, no matter how deeply rooted they are. Maybe we can draw strength from the adage: Situations change, but Principles do not. May we all find the strength to make decisions and act in a manner of which we and our families can always be proud.

President's Message

Steven Silfen



We have just finished the budget process and I want to report to all of you that for the upcoming fiscal year we are projecting a large deficit. The deficit we are projecting is caused by many factors, three of which stand out.

1) We did not meet membership growth projections these last two years.

2) We will be losing a tenant in the back space...

3) Our fundraising efforts are still far below what a synagogue of our size should raise.

I am asking the congregants who did not pledge to the annual campaign on Yom Kippur to please reconsider and make a donation. Those who did participate, I would ask that you consider increasing your annual pledge at this time. Please support our other fundraising efforts. The art auction, brotherhood and sisterhood events, PTA events, or purchasing Giant coupons through the shul.

There are other ways of helping the congregation as well. Perhaps honor the memory of loved ones by purchasing a memorial plaque, or commemorate special events by purchasing a simcha plaque.

Please help; that is all I can ask.

You can be sure that the officers, Board of Trustees, and staff of the Congregation are working to manage our revenues, expenses, and cash flow in light of the budget projections for 2005. Together we will persevere and meet these fiscal challenges.

I do want to report that we are purchasing a plaque to honor those who generously joined the Rabbi's Circle through their annual campaign contribution. We hope to have it in house within the next month.

Thank you for all that you do.

B'nai Mitzvah

בני מצוה

March 2005

5 Mollye Rebecca Lipton, daughter of Lisa and Marc Lipton

5 Jennifer Ann Walker, daughter of Robin and Kurt Walker

12 Linda Beverly Quartner, daughter of Ina and Michael Quartner

12 Marlee Jenna Rendel, daughter of Renee and Marc Rendel

19 Brooke Robin Rosenblatt, daughter of Sara and Alan Rosenblatt

19 Arielle Rose Steinmetz, daughter of Lisa and Scott Steinmetz

26 Evan Jacob Obligin, son of Paris and Alan Obligin

26 Ryan Andrew Patrick, son of Penny and Gregg Patrick

April 2005

2 Matthew Louis Berger, son of Robin and Jan Berger

2 Alec Jared Billig, son of Lisa and Andrew Billig



Beth Israel in Israel 2005 with Rabbi Jay Goldstein June 19-July 4

Visit Jerusalem Haifa, Tel Aviv, Dead Sea, Tiberias, and Eilat

Dinner in a Bedouin Tent, Jeep tour, Kayak ride, archeological dig and much more!
Optional trip to Petra in Jordan.

\$3480.00 per person, based on double occupancy. Single supplement \$750.00

For Additional Information Contact
Rabbi Goldstein 410-654-0800,
extension 209

PURIM FESTIVITIES AT BETH ISRAEL

Sunday,
March 20, 2005

**Annual
Purim Carnival**

11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Bring
your family
and friends for
**great games,
delicious food,
grab bags
& much more!**

Thursday,
March 24, 2005

**Megillah Reading Night
& Presentation of**

**THE MEGILLAH ACCORDING TO
WALT DISNEY**

6:00 P.M. Mincha, Maariv & a traditional Full Megillah Reading-a perfect opportunity to hear the entire Megillah!

7:00 P.M. Our annual Family Megillah Reading
Enjoy the groggers, costumes, candy-and, of course,
hamantashen. Recommended for families.

Followed by

"THE MEGILLAH ACCORDING TO WALT DISNEY"

featuring over 40 of Beth Israel's finest children, teens
and adults. Mickey Mouse, Pinocchio, Pocahontas,
Mary Poppins, Aladdin, Snow White &
Queen Esther, Mordechai,
Achashverous & Haman all on
one stage

IT'S A SMALL WORLD AFTER ALL!

Note: The Megillah will also be read on Friday morning, 7:00 a.m. at the morning minyan.

What Does it Mean to be Conservative?

Halakhah and the Conservative Movement.

At Beth Israel, Beth El, Chizuk Amuno & Beth Am

March 13, 2005 3:00 p.m at Beth Israel Congregation

"How did we get here, and where are we going? Taking stock of the Conservative Movement"

Once, the Conservative movement was the dominant face of American Judaism. Now, the movement confronts ideological, organizational, and demographic challenges—and opportunities for future growth and development. Where are we today, and how did we get to this point?

With Dr. Jack Wertheimer, Provost and Professor of Jewish History at the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Kindly RSVP to the Synagogue office.

March 20 3:00 p.m.at Beth El Congregation

"Women and Halakhah"

One hundred years ago, women and men sat separately in Conservative synagogues. Fifty years ago, women could assume no leadership roles in services in most Conservative communities, and could not be counted in a minyan. Twenty-five years ago, women were not ordained as Conservative rabbis. How did these changes occur? Did they represent a rupture from Jewish law and tradition—or a kind of natural growth?

With Rabbi Kassel Abelson, current chair of the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards, and a congregational rabbi in Minneapolis for over 40 years.

April 3 7:00 pm at Chizuk Amuno Congregation

"Halakhah and Homosexuality"

The question of how religion should understand homosexuality has plunged several Christian denominations into turmoil—and has threatened to do the same to the Conservative Movement. Should rabbis perform commitment ceremonies—or full-fledged weddings? Should the movement's seminaries ordain openly gay men and women as rabbis? What impact should stark Biblical verses have on our policies?

With Rabbi Gordon Tucker, Assistant Professor of Jewish Philosophy at the Jewish Theological Seminary, member of the Committee on Jewish Law and standards, and congregational rabbi in White Plains, NY.

April 10 3:00 pm at Beth Am Congregation

"Halakhah and Medical Ethics"

With the help of modern medical technology, doctors are able to extend the lives of people who, until recently, had no hope of survival. However, these miraculous treatments have generated some of the deepest and most heart-wrenching ethical dilemmas Judaism has ever faced. How has Halakhah grappled with these challenges—and what kinds of guidance can it offer us?

With Rabbi Avram Reisner, member of the Committee on Jewish Law and standards, and bioethicist.

This project is sponsored by the Hoffberger Foundation for Torah Studies.



Wintertime is a perfect time for learning!
Beth Israel's adult education has something for everyone...

Shabbat Programs

Shabbat Learners' Minyan meets the second and fourth Shabbat of each month at 9:30 A.M.

Parashah Study meets the first and third Shabbat of each month at 9:30 A.M.

Kiddush Conversation is led by Rabbi Goldstein on the second and fourth Shabbat of each month at 12:25 P.M.

Ongoing Classes & Mini-Courses:

Beginner and Intermediate Hebrew Reading- New classes beginning on Sunday mornings with instructors, Sandy Bernheim and Mayer Zimmerman. Please contact Janis Bormel for details.

**THE ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE
WISHES TO GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE
THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO
HAVE GIVEN OF THEMSELVES TO
TEACH US:**

Dr. Shmuel Litov for his course
"Jewish books throughout History"

Ilene Blumberg for her course
"The History of Jews in America"

Sandy Bernheim for teaching
Beginning and Intermediate Hebrew Reading

Mayer Zimmerman for teaching
Intermediate Hebrew Reading

*It is a blessing for us to have congregants who
are willing to share their expertise with us.*

All Congregants, 55 & Older Are Invited to Beth Israel's Winter/Spring 2005 Events

HAZAK goes to the Theatre in 2005!

Join HAZAK for a Sunday matinees at Vagabond Players in Fells Point -

Sunday, May 15th: "The Dinner Party"

Ah! Paris in the springtime! This familiar romantic comedy by Neil Simon will bring you to a chic private dining room with three men, three women, love, loss and liaison. Sparks will fly as wittily as ever as the mystery of why they have been invited and just why fools fall in love is solved. Directed by Barry Feinstein. Meet at Beth Israel at 12:30 p.m. for a 2:00 p.m. matinee. Bus transportation will be provided. Reservation Deadline: Monday, May 2nd.

Cost: \$25 per person. Your check is your reservation. Please send in your check payable to Beth Israel Hazak, attn: Janis Bormel.

Trip to Washington DC's Mount Vernon

Sunday, April 10th

Includes: A tour of Mt. Vernon and the beautiful estate gardens, a visit to the WW II Memorial, a tour of the Adas Israel Synagogue, dairy lunch at a Colonial Dining Room & motor coach transportation from Beth Israel's parking lot at 8:45 A.M.

\$40 Beth Israel HAZAK members

\$45 guests

(If you haven't paid your dues yet, now is a perfect time! Just \$10 per person for the year.)

To reserve your seat on the bus, please send your check payable to Beth Israel Congregation, Attn: Janis Bormel by March 31st.

End of the year event

Israeli Dinner & Music in celebration of Yom Yerushalayim on Monday, June 6th. Watch for all the details!

For information on all HAZAK events, contact Janis Bormel at 410-654-0800.

Nominating Committee Formed

Every year, in accordance with the Congregation by-laws, a Nominating Committee is appointed to prepare a slate of the nominations for Officers and the Board of Trustees for the coming year. The slate is presented at the Annual Meeting and voted on by the Congregation.

Phil Rabin, immediate past president, is chairperson of the Nominating Committee. If you or someone you know would like to be considered, please contact Phil Rabin via the synagogue office. A Nominee must be a member in good standing to be considered.

The names of the nominees will be published in the Guide and a letter will be sent to members announcing the nominations in advance of the Annual Meeting. Members are further encouraged to attend the Annual Meeting of the Congregation, which will take place in May 2005.

**We Welcome New Members
to Our Congregation:**

ברוכים הבאים בשם ה'

Stefanie & Seth Gusman

**Mark your calendars ...
the Annual Meeting of Beth Israel
Congregation will be held on
Monday, May 16th
at 7:30 p.m.**

Book Club

On March 7th our Book Club will be reviewing *My Sisters Keeper* by Jodi Picoult. This is a story of a family torn apart by conflicting needs. Anna was conceived so that her umbilical cord blood could save the life of her sister Kate, a two year old diagnosed with Leukemia. As the story unfolds Anna who is now 13, has been asked to donate her kidney. Throughout her short life, she has donated stem cells platelets, and whole blood to help her sister to survive various medical crises. She now has consulted a lawyer whom she has requested to emancipate her so that she can make her own decisions. This is a complex story with moral and ethical issues which concludes with a wrenching twist. Join us for a lively interactive discussion. Contact Eudice Lowenthal at 410-484-3260 for further information.

BUS TRIP



TO NEW YORK

on Sunday, May 15, 2005

To see

“Dirty Rotten Scoundrels”

Call Zelda Zaben 410-602-3253.

Giant Gift Cards Made Easy!

You've heard that Beth Israel has Giant Gift Cards available. Now, we'll make it easier for you to get them because Beth Israel needs your support of this program!

You can help the synagogue while you do your regular grocery shopping - and it won't cost you anything! You pay face value for the gift card and use it whenever you go to Giant. Giant will then donate 4% of what you paid for the card to Beth Israel - it's that simple! Your weekly shopping trips turn into cash for Beth Israel!

Now, there are **four easy ways** to get your Giant Gift Cards:

1. Call any one of the Giant Card committee members below and let us know how we can get them to you...we'll deliver -home or office!
2. Even easier...call the Beth Israel office (410-654-0800) or one of the committee members below to arrange for a monthly commitment. We'll contact you to make arrangements for payment...and delivery to you!
3. Order them through the Hebrew School. The first Sunday morning of each month, volunteers will be in the parking lot at carpool line to hand them right to you!
4. Order them through the Preschool. Just call the school and let them know what you'll need, and they'll be ready for you when you pick up your child!

Giant Gift Cards are available in denominations of \$25, \$50, and \$100. The more you buy, the more Beth Israel earns! Come and join the program - you've gotta eat!

For questions, or to place your order, please call any of the following members to assist you:

Gloria Friedman 410-318-8009
Jodi Dinkin 410-526-2882

Michael Cohen 410-356-1000
Lloyd Snow 410-833-2680

Thank you in advance for your support!

Brotherhood

**Howard Bernheim
Sheldon Schwartz
Co-Presidents**



DR. STACEY BERNER AND EDDIE STEINBERG TO BE HONORED AT THE DONOR DINNER

The annual Beth Israel Brotherhood Donor Dinner will be held on May 5th, 2005. This year we will be honoring Dr. Stacey Berner and Eddie Steinberg. These two congregants have spent countless hours working on committees that have included Capital Campaign, Marketing, Fundraising and Long Range Planning. Within the next several weeks you will be receiving information on tickets to the Donor and placing ads in our Ad Book. Please help make this Donor our best ever.

This past January, our Brotherhood had the pleasure of hosting the annual Blue Yarmulke award dinner at Beth Israel. Over 70 member of our congregation, the largest attendance of any congregation for this event came to honor Ira Bormel, our past president, along with 22 other distinguished individuals from Seaboard Conservative Synagogues in the Baltimore-Washington area. The evening was a major success as we welcomed over 400 members of Brotherhood from synagogues throughout our region attended. Thanks to Executive Director David Rothenberg's hard work and insight and the full cooperation of his support staff. Rabbi Goldstein and Rabbi Berger as well as Cantor Eisenberg participated in delivering the D'var Torah, Birkat ha-mazon and Hatikvah, respectively.

Brotherhood Shabbat was held on February 26th. Thank you to all who participated and to those of you who helped sponsor the Kiddush. A special thank you to Dan Dinkin for chairing Brotherhood Shabbat again this year.

Our Brotherhood has been attempting to bring the very best in religious as well as social programming to Beth Israel. Our past World Wide Wrap with Rabbi Hersel Gholian, a certified scribe, demonstrated the use of modern technology to check the kashruth of Tefillin and Mezzuzot. Our Keruv program led by Mel Heitt and his team of Facilitators also attracted a significant number of members who were interested in the various aspects of intermarriage. We look forward to continuing this program in 2005.

Our membership continues to grow due to quality Sunday morning breakfasts and special programs. Our next breakfast will be on March 13th, and will feature WBAL radio personality, Alan Walden. Please RSVP to Ira Bormel, 410-833-2716 or at GDRIra@aol.com.

Mazel Tov

מזל טוב

To Arielle Miller and Andrew Ross, who were selected by their high school, The Shoshana S. Cardin School, to represent their school at the North American Association of Jewish High Schools at the 2005 Continental Student Leadership Shabbaton, which took place in February 2005 in Houston, Texas.

To Faye Rosenthal on the birth of a great-granddaughter Rebecca Fran Tow.

To Bobbie & Steve Gandel on the birth of a granddaughter Rebecca Fran Tow.

My sincere thanks to everyone who honored me at the Seaboard Region Blue Yarmulkeh Man-of-the-Year Dinner. Looking around the room and seeing 70 of my friends and family, and reading the many names in the ad book, was very touching. This special honor makes my involvement in Brotherhood very satisfying and rewarding. Todah Rabbah!

Ira Bormel

Sisterhood

**Norma Levin,
President**



The snows of January wreaked havoc on Z'havah's planned book review by Brad Barkley, Alison's Automotive Repair Manual. Keep your eyes open for a rescheduled date, when we are guaranteed there will be no snow.

Never one to let the weather hinder our meeting topics, Robyn Needel has been busy securing a speaker for our March 9, 2005 general meeting. Who would not want to know how to handle one's finances? That topic is always near and dear to our hearts as income tax season approaches. Robyn has been working with Bill Mitchell, Anne & Zel Gresser's son-in-law, to secure his advising us on financial planning.

Our Nominations Committee has been busy selecting new officers for 2005-2007. I'm sure that once they all put their heads together, they will come up with an exciting slate of officers.

We are privileged to host Joint Sisterhood on April 4, 2005 with visitors from our sister groups at Adat Chaim, Chizuk Amuno, Beth El and Beth Shalom.

Looking to the future, our donor chair has been working to make this an exciting event, since this will be the end of my term as President of Beth Israel Sisterhood. One will not want to miss this event; we will make you an offer you can't refuse.

Thanks to all who make Sisterhood Shabbat so successful!

To all who participated in the service.

To the Kiddish luncheon committee: Shiela Applestein, Florence Pollack and Edie Meyers.

To the Phone committee: Ellen Jachman, Cindy Bradley, Marci Litov.

To Co-Chairs: Sheila Stern & Judi Dickman-Narrow

Z'havah

**Jodi Dinkin, Harriette Wiener,
Co-Presidents**

Z'havah is busy planning special events and activities for the women of Beth Israel! Our events are fun, educational and worthwhile - and all teach you about your Jewish identity and our community. From informal activities to programs on social issues, Z'havah meetings are a great way to meet other women at Beth Israel! Please join us at our upcoming events:

Sunday, March 6, 9:00 am: Z'havah Meeting. Drop the kids off at Hebrew School and join us for our monthly meeting. We would love your input on our upcoming events and programs!

Sunday, March 13, 1:00 pm: Family Hamentashen Baking. Bring the kids for an afternoon of baking and fun. We will be making hamentashen, which will be donated to a local nursing home. Z'havah will also be assembling Mishloch Manot baskets for residents.

Sunday, March 20: Bring your kids and visit Z'havah at our booth at the Beth Israel Purim Carnival!

Saturday evening, April 16: A Taste of Kosher Wines! Mark your calendar for an evening of Havdalah hors d'oeuvres and wine! A wine connoisseur will join us as we learn about (and sample!) kosher wines from around the globe—just in time for Passover.

All events require advance reservations. Please call to reserve your spot today!

Don't forget to fill out the Z'havah Health Fair Survey—and have your name entered to win four free tickets to our April Wine Tasting event! We would like your opinions! If you haven't received a survey, please email either of us, and we will send one out to you.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

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Preschool

Gail Potashnick, Director

2005-2006 Registration

Applications are now available for the next school year. Call the school office 410-654-0803 to schedule a visit and/or get an application.

We offer a full day kindergarten program in addition to part-time and full-time hours for children two to four years old. Before and after school care is available. Schedules are flexible to meet your needs. Our goal is to provide an environment that promotes and nurtures your child's development on all levels - physical, social and intellectual. Visit Beth Israel's Preschool website (bethisraelpreschool.org) for more information.

Summer Program

We are offering a seven week program for children entering three and four year programs in the fall. The hours are 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with an opportunity to extend to 3:15 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday. Activities will have a summer theme and we will be using a sprinkler. Children can attend two-five days a week. Children entering a two year old program can attend Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Applications are available in the Preschool office. The dates are June 27th through August 12th.

Parent/Toddler Programs

January two's applications will be available this month.

Shabbat for Tots

Join us in the Library from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. weekly for a wonderful session of stories, songs, prayers and more.

School Pictures

Will be taken on March 16th and 17th.

Tiny Tots Concert

The four year olds and Kindergarten will attend a performance of "The Three Bears" at the Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall.

Early Childhood Education Conference

On Monday, March 14th school will be closed so that all staff members can attend a full day conference sponsored by the Center for Jewish Education.

Purim Carnival

Be sure to visit the preschool room during the Purim Carnival on March 20th.

Purim

Will be celebrated in school on Friday, March 25th. The two day two year olds will celebrate on Thursday, March 24th. The children can wear costumes.

March 2005 Preschool Calendar

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| Monday, March 14th | School Closed |
| Wednesday, March 16th | School Pictures and Tiny Tots Concert for four year olds & Kindergarten |
| Thursday, March 17th | School Pictures |
| Sunday, March 20th | Purim Carnival |
| Thursday, March 24th | Purim Celebrated for two day two year olds |
| Friday, March 25th | Purim Celebrated in school |

April 2005 Preschool Calendar

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| Sunday, April 3rd | Father/child Breakfast (New format) |
| Tuesday, April 5th | Irvine Center Field Trip for four year olds and Kindergarten |
| Wednesday, April 6th | Lion Tales Puppet Show at Beth Israel |
| Monday, April 18th | Seder for three year olds, four year olds & Kindergarten Parents invited to attend Seder for three day two year olds - Parents invited to attend |
| Tuesday, April 19th | Seder for two day two year olds - Parents invited to attend |

Religious School

Rachel Glaser, Education Director

Purim Festivities

Once again, the school will celebrate Purim with lots of crazy fun and programs you don't want to miss. The schedule for celebrating Purim is as follows:

Sunday, March 20, 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. School Purim program for all students. Families welcome!

The morning will begin with an all school assembly and includes class presentations, songs, a costume parade and choir performance. All students who attend the assembly will receive free tickets for carnival games. The Purim Carnival, presented by the Parents Association, will begin immediately following the school assembly. Plan to enjoy a fun-filled carnival and celebrate Purim with Games, Fun, Food, Prizes and a Moonbounce. Tickets will be on sale during the carnival. Prozdor (Kindergarten) and Mechina (1st grade) boys & girls must be accompanied by an adult during the carnival.

Thursday evening, March 24, 7:00 P.M. - Family Megillah Reading for the whole family, including costume parades, songs, noisemakers and prizes for everyone. The highlight will be our annual Purim Shpiel "The Megillah According to Disney". All religious school students are expected to attend! Attendance will be taken. There will be no JEM class on the afternoon of March 24 so all can attend.

Beth Israel Hebrew School Honor Roll

Mazal Tov to our students who have achieved First Honor Roll for the first semester of the school year. They are:

Emily Allen, Rachael Allen, Michael Baumohl, Jessica Berger, Matthew Berger, Max Berner, Jason Besser, Zachary Block, Emily Braverman, Eliza Buerghenthal, Michelle Butler, Ryan Carey, Andrew Dardick, Beth Dardick, Megan Dickinson, Jordan Dinkin, Allison Eller, Alyssa Eller, Rebecca Ellison, Eric Epstein, Scott Epstein, Megan Ertel, Neil Esterson, Jack Feldman, Cameron Frank, Harrison Fried, Jordyn Gaer, Zoe Ganslaw, Evan Glaser, Caryn Gordon, Brooke Goren, Kevin Goren, Rebecca Gross, Adam Grossman, Esmail Hamidi, Jacob Hamidi, Jake Hertzberg, Noah Hirschbein, Brandon Hoffman, Eric Hurwitz, Hailey Hyman, Ryan Joffe, Alaina Kahn, Bradley Kessler, Micah Kiewe, Adam Kofsky, Rachel Kovens, Melynda Kromsky, Ryan Kromsky, Zachary Lansing, Matthew Lipsey, Molly

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Jewish Big Brother and Big Sister League Programs

Once again, Beth Israel students will have the opportunity to discuss important issues related to peer pressure, risky behaviors and good decision making with educators from the Jewish Big Brother and Big Sister League. We encourage our parents to engage the children in further discussions at home and we thank the presenters for bringing these valuable programs to our school.

Junior Congregation Awards

We are very proud of the boys and girls who have achieved benchmark goals in Junior Congregation attendance. These students are loyal "shul-goers" and are learning so much about prayers and Torah. Elisha Frumkin, Junior Congregation leader, sees to it that all the young people have the opportunity to lead prayers from the bima and helps everyone gain a sense of confidence with prayer and synagogue skills! Parents also enjoy coming and are always welcome to join their children in Junior Congregation. Each grade has five Shabbat morning services to attend, one of which includes a Kiddush lunch and games. We've had a good response to these programs and thank the parents for your support.

We recognize the following boys and girls for their attendance:

Junior Congregation Attendance Awards through January 29, 2005

5 Times (Award: Blockbuster Gift Card) Jordan Chattler, Jessica Ganslaw, Zoe Ganslaw, Benjamin Glaser, Evan Glaser, Esmail Hamidi, Hailey Hyman, Melanie Marino, Brett Mazor; Sierra Mitchell, Marlee Rendel, Amber Rogers, Anna Schenerman, Caitlin Silver, Rebecca Yatovitz, Boris Zilberstein, Natalia Zilberstein, Tatiana Zilberstein

10 Times (Award: Rabbi's Challenge Puzzle or Alef Bet Name Bracelet) Michael Baumohl, Emily Berner, Max Berner, Naomi Berner, Nathan Block, Shira Goldstein, Shana Kaplan, Deena Silton, Miriam Silton, Jeremy Snow, Aaron Stein, Joshua Stein, Jeremy Train, Shelby Zimmerman

15 Times (Award: mini personal radio) Aaron Stein; Joshua Stein; Chanan Rothenberg

Vav Shabbat Attendance Awards through January 29, 2005

5 Times (Award: Blockbuster Gift Card) Mollye Lipton, Talya Mallin, Ryan Patrick; Ethan Steininger

It's not too late for every Beth Israel Religious School student and our congregation's day school students to begin coming to Junior Congregation and work toward an attendance goal.

Beth Israel Students Care - Tzedakah Works

Our children continue to be generous in the giving of tzedakah and we commend them for fulfilling this mitzvah.

- When we returned from our winter break, the whole world had been saddened by the tragedy that occurred in Southeast Asia. In an effort help in some small way, our students and families made significant contributions towards our donation of \$600.00 to The Associated's Tsunami Relief Fund. Thank you to everyone who supported this cause.
- Our February fundraiser was "Trees for Israel". Our goal was to surpass last year's collection of 139 trees planted in Israel.
- We have been collecting canned and boxed foods for the Reisterstown Food Pantry at each of our class dinners. This is a new effort started by the Parents' Association this year and has been well supported at each event.

Grandparents Club Continues to Grow

Thank you to all of our grandparents for their continued support of Beth Israel Religious School. We appreciate

your generosity and look forward to many enriching programs your donations will provide. Most recent donors include:

Mr. & Mrs. Steve Hay in honor of Joshua Weiss; Mrs. Pearl Blumenthal in honor of Lindsey Deitch; Ms. Adele Weinberg in honor of Jordan & Andrew Burt; Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Davis in honor of Rachel & Matthew Maj; Mr. & Mrs. Fred Stern in honor of Rebecca Ellison; Mr. & Mrs. Edward Katz in honor of Joshua Schulman; Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Kirsh in honor of Adam & Daniel Grossman; Ms. Joan Stark in honor of Brennan Stark; Mr. & Mrs. Paul Terle in honor of Brendan Bird; Mr. & Mrs. Sam Klyotskin in honor of Monica & Gabriella Klyotskin; Mrs. Shirley Stoler in honor of Gabrielle Stoler; Mr. & Mrs. Phil Schindler in honor of Eliza Buergenthal; Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Goldstein in honor of Jill & Jacob Goldstein; Mrs. Henrietta Silton in honor of Miriam & Deena Silton; Dr. & Mrs. Arthur Baitch in honor of Casey & Carly Rosenberg; Mr. & Mrs. Elliot Allen in honor of Rachael & Emily Allen; Mrs. Sadie Bounan in honor of Jessica, Adam & David Stein; Mrs. Martha Berman in honor of Savannah & Jake Bass; Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Radinsky in honor of Justin Radinsky; Ms. Beverly Ain in honor of Alexa & Kayla Ain; Mr. & Mrs. Mark Willen in honor of Cassidy, Eden & Daisy Oberfeld; Mrs. Sara Horowitz in honor of Adam Cory & Joshua Wolberg; Mrs. Alma Minkove in honor of Amanda Minkove; Dr. & Mrs. Alvin Cohen in honor of Ben & Sam Nawy; Mr. & Mrs. Michael Newman in honor of Louis Wilson; Mr. & Mrs. Jack Gansky in honor of Benjamin, Mollie & Sophie Gansky; Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Danoff in honor of Emma & Joshua Danoff; Mrs. Betty Raphael in honor of Shane & Simone Rabinowitz; Mrs. Natalie Rendel in honor of Marlee & Melanie Rendel; Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Venick in honor of Michael Baumohl; Mr. & Mrs. Sheldon Sherman in honor of Barret Rus; Mr. & Mrs. Alvin Rubin in honor of Matthew & Sam Rosenfeld

Thank You

Many thanks to members of the Parents Association for helping with last month's many school activities:

- Sharon Rabinovitz and her team of helpers who organized the Tu B'Shevat snacks. This year's Tu B'Shevat preparations and celebrations were seriously impeded by the snow! Special thanks to Hillary & Heather Roll, Wendy Smelkinson, Seth Rabinovitz, Sharon Schwartz, Laurie Taylor and Sara Hayes who made a special effort to see that our students were able to celebrate Tu B'Shevat with the traditional foods.
- Randi Buergenthal for chairing the Bet Shabbat dinner.

- Roneet Mallin for chairing the Vav Shabbat dinner
- Barbara Chait Jerome for organizing the Gimel Havdalah program.

January TGIF Birthday Sponsors

Leslie, Matt & Emily Allen in honor of Rachael's 12th birthday - January 29
 The Berner Family in honor of Max's 11th birthday - January 27
 Heidi, Alan, Brandon & Andrew Hoffman in honor of Morgan's 5th birthday - January 31
 Suzanne, Jerry, Zephan & Tamar Kiewe in honor of Micah's 8th birthday - January 23
 Laina, Adam & Hannah Marks in honor of Zachary's 10th birthday - January 16
 Hedy, Michael & Ethan Rosman in honor of Sophia's 8th birthday - January 8
 Kathy, Keith & Scott Silverstein in honor of Tyler's 10th birthday - January 31
 Wendy, Marc & Mara Smelkinson in honor of cousin Carley Smelkinson's 12th birthday - January 16
 Michele, Marc & Abigail Sussman in honor of Eric's 10th birthday - January 19
 Robin & Kurt Walker in honor of Danielle's 9th birthday - January 22

January TGIF Birthday Book Donations

Seymour, the Formerly Fearful by Eve B. Feldman in honor of Max Berner
Noah's Trees by Bijou Le Tord in honor of Morgan Hoffman
No Rules for Michael by Sylvia A. Rouss in honor of Micah Kiewe
Bridge to Freedom by Isabel R. Marvin in honor of Zachary Marks
Operation Dewey by Kirby Rogers in honor of Tyler Silverstein
The Pushcart War by Jean Merrill in honor of Eric Sussman
The Magic Cow - A Gift by Helaine Gitomer in honor of Danielle Walker

February TGIF Birthday Sponsors

Randee, Harry & Ryan Baumohl in honor of Michael - Feb 23
 Madisyn Schwartz in honor of Alyssa Berman - Feb 18
 Andrea, David & Jason Cohen in honor of Jessica - Feb 9
 Andrea, David & Jessica Cohen in honor of Jason - Feb 25
 Lynn & Rick Dickinson in honor of Megan - Feb 18
 Linda, Rick & Erin Esterson in honor of Neil - Feb 7
 Joan, Eliot & Ben Glaser in honor of Evan - Feb 4
 Rabbi Jay & Cindy Goldstein in honor of Shira - Feb 11

Julie & Mitch Kromsky & Family in honor of Ryan - Feb 14
 Carol Wandres in honor of Max Nozick - Feb 23
 Julie & Aaron Perlow in honor of Shane - Feb 7
 Jackie & David Polashuk in honor of Ryan - Feb 19
 Rachel & Michael Raphael in honor of Alyson & Haley - Feb 21
 Hedy, Michael & Sophia Rosman in honor of Ethan - Feb 5
 Rachael, Brian & Andrew Schwartz in honor of Madisyn - Feb 1
 Paula & Steve Scurnick in honor of Becca - Feb 5
 The Smelkinson family in honor of nephew Alex Stevens - Feb 18
 Wendy & Marc Smelkinson in honor of Mara - Feb 24
 Robin & Kurt Walker in honor of Jennifer - Feb 23

February TGIF Birthday Book Donations

Wise and Not So Wise: Ten Tales from the Rabbis
 Selected and retold by Phillis Gershtator in honor of Michael Baumohl
The Singing Mountain by Sonia Levitin in honor of Megan Dickinson
The Moon is Bread by Naomi Samuel in honor of Shira Goldstein
My Grandmother's Stories by Adèle Geras in honor of Max Nozick
The Animals and the Ark by Karla Kuskin in honor of Shane Perlow
Clouds of Glory by Miriam Chaikin in honor of Alyson & Haley Raphael
 What Happened to Heather Hopkowitz? By Charlotte Herman in honor of Becca Scurnick
The Devil in Vienna by Doris Orgel in honor of Jennifer Walker

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Renee Lerner's special birthday by Naomi & Howard Rovner

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Jaime Brager in honor of her Bat Mitzvah January 15, 2005, Journey to Freedom: Ilse's Story, Self-published family history

Kelley Lanham in honor of her Bat Mitzvah January 15, 2005, Grandad's Prayers of the Earth by Douglas Wood

Ryan Baumohl in honor of his Bar Mitzvah January 22, 2005, Murder at the 1972 Olympics in Munich by Liz Sonneborn

Blake Taylor in honor of his Bar Mitzvah January 22, 2005, The Kids' Cartoon Bible by Chaya M. Burstein

Julius Harrison Macks in honor of his Bar Mitzvah, January 29, 2005, A Case for Israel by Alan Dershowitz

Jamison Hyman in honor of his Bar Mitzvah February 12, 2005, L;Chaim! To Jewish Life in America: Celebrating from 1654 Until Today by Susan Goldman Rubin

Erin Slovon in honor of her Bat Mitzvah February 12, 2005, The Tattooed Torah by Marvell Ginsburg

Alyson Raphael in honor of her Bat Mitzvah February 19, 2005, The Cheat by Amy Goldman Koss

Haley Raphael in honor of her Bat Mitzvah February 19, 2005, Bread Comes to Life by George Levenson

Jennifer Walker in honor of her Bat Mitzvah March 5, 2005, Defying the Tide by Reha & Al Sokolow

Religious School Calendar

March 2005

4 (F) TGIF Shabbat Family Service 7:30 P.M. - March Birthdays

5 (Sh) DALET Shabbat at Junior Congregation 10:30 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

12 (Sh) GIMEL Shabbat at Junior Congregation 10:30 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

13 (S) VAV Parent Meeting 10:45-11:15 A.M.

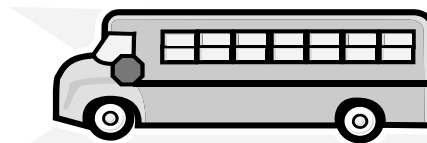
19 (Sh) BET Shabbat at Junior Congregation 10:30 A.M. - 12:00 Noon. Extended Shabbaton with lunch and games until 2:00 P.M.

20 (S) Purim Carnival

24 (Th) SCHOOL CLOSED Erev Purim. Megillah Reading at evening services. All students expected to attend.

25 (F) Purim

Mar 27-Apr 3 SCHOOL CLOSED Spring Vacation.



**Hitch a ride to New York
 Sunday, April 10, 2005**

Seats available for a day trip (leave from Beth Israel 6:00 A.M. and return approximately 10:30 P.M.) with the Ma'alot (high school) student trip.

Drop off and pick up will be in Manhattan (exact location to be determined). Call the school office (410-654-0803) for questions or to reserve your seat - \$25.00 per person.

CONSIDER A SUMMER AT
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ENROLL NOW!

**Looking for a new way to
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Camp Ramah is the place for you!

Camp Ramah is the official camping arm of the conservative Movement. We create the ultimate summer camping experience for children ages 4 - 14 at our Day Camp and grades 3 - 10 at our Overnight Camp.

Camp Ramah is committed to providing active, creative, fun-filled educational, recreational and positive Jewish experiences. Activities include: outdoor adventure, swimming, sports, arts, music, drama, dance and fun, informal learning experiences.

Scholarship funds are available!

Questions?

Call Camp Ramah at (215) 885-8556
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Give your child a "Ramah experience" friendships, fun, memories and community that last a lifetime!

Current third graders

Come enjoy a Taste of Ramah!

This is a unique opportunity to experience the magic of Camp Ramah for one week—a great way to go to sleep-away camp for the first time.

Monday, July 18 - Sunday, July 24 Cost is \$650; synagogue scholarships are available.

For additional information,
contact Camp Ramah
215-885-8556
or call Rabbi Berger at the Synagogue.

Genetic Educational Seminar and Screening

Jewish Family Services provides education and carrier screening for the Baltimore Jewish community for certain inherited genetic conditions known to occur at greater frequency among Ashkenazi Jews.

Sunday, March 27, 2005

Educational Seminar: 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Screenings: 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Beth Israel Congregation
3706 Crondall Lane
Owings Mills, Maryland

A maximum of 60 participants can be accommodated at this screening.

Six diseases are targeted: Tay Sachs, Niemann-Pick type A, Canavan Disease, Cystic Fibrosis, Gauchers Disease Type 1, and Familial Dysautonomia.

While there is no fee for the screening, a tax-deductible gift of \$50 is suggested.

For more information,
please call 410-542-6300 ext. 150.

Summer Camp Scholarships Available

Thanks to a generous grant from the Louise D. & Morton J. Macks Family Foundation, Inc., children of Beth Israel members are eligible for scholarships to attend a qualified Jewish overnight camp or summer experience.

Eligible camps/programs must offer a kosher, multi-week overnight experience, where the programming content is primarily of a Jewish nature. Examples include, but are not limited to, Camp Ramah, Capitol Camps, Camp Moshava, Camp B'nai Brith, USY on Wheels, etc.

Please contact the synagogue office at 410-654-0800 for details and/or an application.

Youth Department News

Elisha Rothschild Frumkin, Youth Director

This year's Claire Sodden Memorial Weekend was truly an event to remember! We had over 40 USYers from all across the Seaboard Region, as well as 11 from Cherry Hill, New Jersey, in attendance. This year's shabbaton could not have happened if it were not for the help and support of some very special people. A special thanks goes out to the Youth Commission and Heather Naviasky (Weekend Chairperson), as well as to those who helped sponsor our congregational kid-dish and USY lunch. Although the Sodden and Berger families were unable to join us, we appreciate their contribution and support of this special weekend. Many thanks go to our staff for the weekend - Rachel and Brian Dressin, Josh Fineblum, Josh Frumkin, Rebecca Missel, and Osnat Exman. Thank you to all of our host families, whose generosity and open doors allowed us to have the amazing attendance we did. Finally, to the Beth Israel USY'ers, under the leadership of President, Robyn Snair - Yasher Kochachem to all of you!

Kids Night Out!

Attention all Kids: Drop your parents off at the Art Auction and go out for a night on the town!

WHEN: Saturday, March 5, 2005

TIME: 8:00 PM - 11:00 PM

WHO: All K-8th Graders!

For more details, contact Elisha at 410-654-0800 x219 or elisha@bethisrael-om.org

2005 Spring Calendar of Youth Events

March

4th-6th Spring Kadima Kallah & 8th Grade Shabbaton at the Pearlstone Retreat Center

5th Kids' Night Out! (in conjunction with the Art Auction)

6th Bonim Bowls!
Machar Hamentaschen Bakeoff!

12th USY Formal - Olam Tikvah
Kadima Purim Ball

19th USY Movie Night in the Lounge

20th Purim Carnival!

April

9th USY Limo Scavenger Hunt

10th Machar Chocolate Seder
Kadima goes to Splashdown!

14th-16th USY Spring Convention

21st Little Shop of Horrors - 5th-12th Graders

Look for e-mails, flyers, & mailings for all the details. For additional information, contact the Youth Department at ext. 219, or email elisha@bethisrael-om.org. You can also find us online at

www.biomyouth.org

Mazel Tov

מזל טוב

Mazel Tov to Joshua Rabin, Son of Phil and Sue Rabin on his acceptance to the Jewish Theological Seminary. Josh will enter the Rabbinical school following his graduation from the University of Maryland, College Park this spring.

Shabbat Shalom.

We are here today as part of the Claire Sodden Shabbat. Claire was a Baltimore native and Beth Israel member who passed away at a young age due to a tragic illness. She was incredibly active in U.S.Y. Since her death, Beth Israel U.S.Y. honors her memory with a special annual Shabbaton in which we celebrate the impact U.S.Y. has on our community.

After the temple—or Beit ha-mikdash—was destroyed, some Jews thought they would never again have a special, central place again to be Jewish. But the rabbis developed the concept of a mikdash me'at, a miniature sanctuary that could be part of our lives. Most people make their homes holy to achieve this, or have a special place where they like to go. For me, Beth Israel is a second home, and is truly a mikdash me'at, somewhere where I come for help, for guidance, to learn, and even for fun.

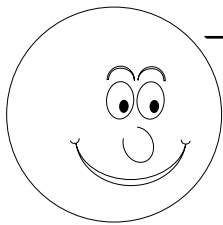
Five years ago, I did not feel this way. I would not have raved about the shul and the community and Judaism. To me, at that point, shul was a chore, because five years ago, I did not know the amazing people who are here. Over the past five years, I have learned to live and love my Jewish life.

This week's torah portion, Mishpatim, talks about different laws we should keep in Judaism. Even though I may not observe every one of them to the fullest extent, U.S.Y. has taught me how to. With this knowledge now I can go out in the world, be a better Jew, and one day be an example to my children.

As I look around this congregation today, I see my friends, my friends for life; these are my U.S.Y. friends. I know they will always be there for me through thick and thin. Some of my memories are silly, like the time when Josh Fineblum moved my car without telling me, and I cried because I really thought someone stole my car! But there's more to U.S.Y. than that. Through U.S.Y., I have learned how to live a Jewish life. I have experienced the amazing feeling of tikkun olam, doing social action projects that help people in need. I have learned that one person can have an impact, but a community can change the world. All these memories will live forever in my heart.

However, in a few months, this chapter of my life will be closing, and I will be graduating high school and moving on to college. Helen Keller once said, "When one door closes, another opens. But we often look so regretful upon the closed door that we don't see the one that has opened for us." I will have to let this door shut, but I will bring my friends forward with me through the new door—my friends who made me laugh and made me cry. Beth Israel has shown me what being Jewish is, U.S.Y. has shown me how to enjoy it, and my friends have shown me how you can love it.

As we remember Claire Sodden today, we think of her amazing contributions to Beth Israel U.S.Y. and her love for Judaism. For her, too, U.S.Y. was a mikdash me'at. Her memories are still kept alive by your stories and your love for her. So today, I give each and every one of you a goal: do as Claire would have done. Meet someone new and give them a chance to know you, because both of your lives might be change forever. Thank you and Shabbat Shalom.



Take A Bounce On The Moon At The Purim Carnival

On March 20, 2005. See you at the carnival!

All proceeds from this booth go to Tikun Olam, USY's tzedakah fund.



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Beth Israel Mourns

We share in the sorrow of the passing of:

Lorraine Stein, mother of Cindy Tannebaum

Beatrice Black, mother of Liz Shapiro

Calvin Theodore (Ted) Berman, brother of Phil Berman and uncle of Jeff Berman

Harry Weiss, father of Barry Weiss

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שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים**

*May the Lord comfort and sustain you along
with all the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem*

**Notify Us When A Loved One
Is Hospitalized**

Please be aware of the changes resulting from HIPAA, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act that went into effect in April 2003. This law no longer permits medical facilities to show clergy, when visiting hospitals, any lists of patients in their facilities. Only those employed by the medical facility have the right to see these lists. Prior to this, we were permitted to call the hospital and ask if any Beth Israel members were in the hospital.

Therefore, the only way that we know that one of our members is hospitalized is when a friend or family member contacts the synagogue office. We urge you to let us know so that a visit can be arranged. In addition, in case of illness, please let us know so that our clergy and the Chesed Committee can take action when their services are needed.

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Sisterhood Mitzvah Cards
*may be purchased by calling Rena
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*may be purchased by calling the
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*Minimum donations to the various
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Prayer Book w/Plate - \$36.00
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Bible w/Plate - \$60.00

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Fund, Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund,
Ted. H. Schweitzer Memorial Fund, and
Goldie Gorn Memorial Scholarship
Fund - \$7.50

K'vod L'Torah Fund and
Mitzvah Fund - \$15.00

**Please refrain from calling the
above numbers on Shabbat or
Jewish Holidays.**

Todah Rabbah!

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**Sincere thanks and appreciation to those who remember to honor
their friends and loved ones through their generous contributions.**

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In Honor of:

The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Anne &
Zel Gresser

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Bobbie & Steve Gandel*

The 80th Birthday of Elmer Rhody

by Goldie Teitelbaum; Shirley & Abe Teitler

Mollie Gansky Becoming a Bat Mitzvah

by Ellen & Chuck Donen

Rivka Glaser's Marriage

by Ellen & Chuck Donen

The Engagement of Andrew Horowitz to
Heather

*by Sherri & Howard Greenberg; Sharon &
Barry Snyder*

The 30th Wedding Anniversary of Linda &
Harry Chupnick

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The 20th Wedding Anniversary of Rabbi &
Cindy Goldstein

by Bobbie & Steve Gandel

The Marriage of Tami & Stuart Fine

by Bobbie & Steve Gandel

The Birth of a Granddaughter to Nadine & Ray Weinstein

by Bobbie & Steve Gandel

The 80th Birthday of Harry Scherr

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Jason Greenberg Passing the Maryland State Bar

by Helen & David Braitman & Family

Noam Luft's Engagement

by Helen & David Braitman & Family

Brian Witow's Graduating from Towson University

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Jamie Keiles Becoming a Bat Mitzvah

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The Special Birthday of Stanley Gumnit

by Sabina & Walter Dorn; Eileen & Elliott Miller; Ellie & Allen Cohen

Rachel Wolf's Engagement

by Gail Potashnick; Nadine & Ray Weinstein; Ellie & Allen Cohen

Phyllis & Melvin Gofstein's wedding

by Bobbi & Aaron Pearlman; Ellen Jachman; Cindy & Stephen Bradley

The Birth of a Granddaughter, Lexi Hope to Edie & Ron Meyers

by Sheila & Danny Stern

The Birth of Sammi Abigail

by Lynn & Stuart Turgel

The Special Birthday of Stuart Krouss

by Marlene & Sheldon Schwartz

In Appreciation of:

Helen & David Braitman

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Mr. & Mrs. Lou Friedman

by Elaine & Harold Rothman

Mr. Stuart Fox

by Elaine & Harold Rothman

Rita & Ira Meier

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Lynn & Stuart Turgel

by Elaine & Harold Rothman

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by The Beth Israel Empty Nesters Chavarah; Sandy & Howard Bernheim

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by Robyn Hurwitz

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by Renee & Mort Greenberg

Harry Weiss

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In Honor of:

Rachel Wolf's Engagement

by Goldie Teitelbaum

The Birth of a great-granddaughter, Ester to Geri & David Muser

by Renee & Mort Greenberg

The engagement of Lynn Muser

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The Special Birthdays of Wolf & Trudy Berman

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Carol Podell

by Pauline & Barry Dahne

Melvin Sandler

by Anky Siegel

Harry Weiss

by Marlene & Sheldon Schwartz; Sheila & Jeff Bridge & Andrew

In Honor of:

The wedding of Rivka Glaser to Josh

by Marcy & Lloyd Snow

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by Ellie & Allen Cohen

The 80th Birthday of Gordon Miller

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Speedy Recovery:

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The Engagement of Rachel Wolf to Jeff Shuman
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Jerome Schevker
by *Lynn & Stuart Turgel*

Harry Weiss
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In Honor of:

The Marriage of Rivka Glaser to Josh
by *Anne & Zel Gresser*

Elizabeth & Mickey Cohen's Wedding
by *Carol & Steve Silberg; Joel & Joann Cohen*

Rachel Wolf's Engagement
by *Shellie & Michael Shaivitz*

The 50th Anniversary of Mayer Zimmerman's Bar Mitzvah
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In Honor of:

The Birth of Jocelyn Leah Friedman
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David Gamliel's Friendship & commitment to teaching the 2005 Adult B'Nai Mitzvah Class
by *Cheryl, Robin, Rodney, Wendy, Adriana & David, Hillary & Tom*

The 80th Birthday of Elmer Rhody
by *Elaine & Donald Rhody*

Speedy Recovery:

Zel Gresser
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by *Audrey & Ron Gart*

Helen Stein
by *Norma & Irv Samson*

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In Honor of:

Bat Mitzvah of her daughter, Allison Hayes

by Sara Hayes

Officiating at the wedding of Tami & Stuart Fine

by Barbara & Louis Ehrlich

Officiating at their wedding

by Phyllis & Mel Gofstein

His wife, Alma Klein's special birthday

by Milton Klein

Special birthday of their brother-in-law, Elmer Rhody

by Rochelle & Marvin Lipkowitz

80th Birthday of Alvin Sandler

by Ellen & Fred Dubick

Simchat Bat of their daughter, Alexa Jade

by Margie & Randall Singer

In Appreciation of:

Al Bard

by Sherri Davis & Family

Prayer recited for Gemma & Graham Frost

by Betsy & Stacey Berner & Family

Rabbi Goldstein

by Bernard Davis; Ethel Epstein and Melissa & Mikhael Zilberstein

Aliyah received for her birthday

by Irene Himelfarb

Prayers recited for his brother-in-law

by Estelle & Ted Levin

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Kaddish being recited for Anna Rubin

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**RABBI BERGER'S
DISCRETIONARY FUND**

In Honor of:

Their 20th wedding anniversary

by Toni & David Greenberg

Bat Mitzvah of her daughter, Allison Hayes

by Sara Hayes

In Appreciation of:

Unveiling ceremony of their mother,

Sophie Anoff

by Bernard Kirschner and Rose Wendell

Aliyah received during the High Holy Days

by Mindy & Ivan Lutwin

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In Honor of:

Bat Mitzvah of her daughter, Allison Hayes

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Officiating at their wedding

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Preparing for Torah reading

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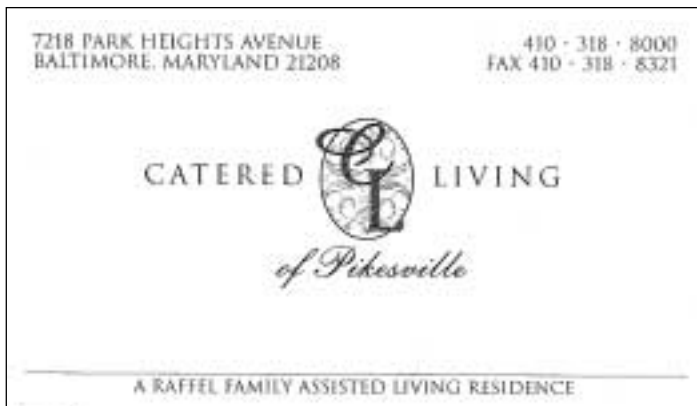
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- Baby Naming
- Brit Milah
- Pideon Haben
- Bar and Bat Mitzvah
- Special Birthdays
 - Graduations
 - Engagements
 - Weddings
- Anniversaries

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March 2005

Weekday Evening Minyan 5:40 P.M.

2 WEDNESDAY

7:30 p.m. Board of Trustees

3 THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Z'havah Board Meeting

4 FRIDAY

5:44 p.m. Candlelighting
7:30 p.m. TGIF

5 SATURDAY

9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
B'not Mitzvah Mollye Rebecca Lipton
& Jennifer Ann Walker
6:00 p.m. Mincha Maariv Havdallah
8:00 p.m. Art Auction

7 MONDAY

7:30 p.m. Book Club

9 WEDNESDAY

7:30 p.m. Sisterhood General Meeting

11 FRIDAY

5:52 p.m. Candlelighting
6:10 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat

12 SATURDAY

9:15 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
B'not Mitzvah Marlee Jenna Rendel
& Linda Beverly Quartner
6:10 p.m. Mincha Maariv Havdallah

13 SUNDAY

1:00 p.m. Z'havah Hamanteshen
Baking
9:30 a.m. Brotherhood Breakfast

18 FRIDAY

5:59 p.m. Candlelighting
6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat

19 SATURDAY

9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
B'not Mitzvah Arielle Rose
Steinmetz & Brooke Robin
Rosenblatt
6:15 p.m. Mincha Maariv Havdallah

20 SUNDAY

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Purim Carnival
7:00 p.m. Lecture with Judge
Buergenthal

24 THURSDAY

6:00 p.m. Traditional Megillah Reading
7:00 p.m. Megillah Reading & Purim
Shpiel

25 FRIDAY

7:00 a.m. Megillah Reading at
Morning Minyan
6:06 p.m. Candlelighting
7:30 p.m. Friday Night Live

26 SATURDAY

9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
B'nai Mitzvah Ryan Andrew Patrick
& Evan Jacob Obligin
6:05 p.m. Mincha Maariv Havdallah

28 MONDAY

2:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. Blood Drive

COMING EVENTS:

Monday, April 4 - Joint Sisterhood
Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday & Wednesday, April 5 & 6 -
Hazak Regional NY Trip

Friday, April 8 - TGIF
Sunday, April 10 - Brotherhood
Breakfast and Hazak D.C. Trip
Pesach - 1st Seder is Saturday, April 23

Beth Israel Celebrates

We want to take the opportunity to wish Mazal Tov to Congregants celebrating "special" life milestones (birthdays over 50 and anniversaries over 10). While every birthday or anniversary is a reason to celebrate, if you are having one ending with a five or a zero, we will now automatically list your name(s) in this space. We apologize in advance if our records are incomplete or in error. Please call the office to give us an update. If you do not want your name listed, please call us at least two months in advance.

Special Birthdays for March 2005

| | |
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| Herbert Eichler | Deborah Leibowitz |
| Allan Forman | Nancy W. Narod |
| Howard E. Greenberg | Emanuel Silverstein |
| Bessie Hurwitz | Judy A. Stellman |
| Alan Kaplan | Daniel Stern |

Special Anniversaries for March 2005

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| Debra & Jeffrey Berney | Meryl & Steven M. Rosen |
| Randi & John Buergenthal | Judith & Rubin Rosner |
| Harriet & Joel B. Charkatz | Tania & Melvyn J. Shichtman |
| Deena & Jay P. Dermer | Diane & Edward Steinberg |
| Jodi & Daniel Dinkin | Michael & Rochelle Sullivan |
| Jodi & David Grossman | Michele & Scott Wendell |
| Dolores & Elmer Rhody | |

Sincere best wishes to our members who have special birthdays or anniversaries in March 2005.

To you and all other members of our Beth Israel family who are celebrating joyous occasions, milestones, and honors. *MAZAL TOV!*

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